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PART I. SIGNIFICANT PHOTO INTERPRETATIONS

A. TRANSIENT TACTICAL TARGETS

ZZZ01:REPORTED MIG 15/17 CRATES SGMW58A CTYVN 205156N1064

THE SEVEN POSSIBLE MIG 15/17 CRATES REPORTED IN HAIPHONG ARE
SIX VAN TRAILERS, PROBABLY ASSOCIATED WITH ELECTRONICS. THE
TRAILERS ARE ON THE DECK OF A SOVIET POLTAVA PEREKOP FREIGHTER,
WHICH IS APPARENTLY ENGAGED IN OFF-LOADING OPERATIONS. (REF
ITEM 3)
ELC:6 VAN TRAILERS.

B. NEW TARGETS AND SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

ITM02:HAIPHONG/KIEN AN AIRFIELD SGM:6B10D CTY:VN 204829N1063648E
DES:THE RUNWAY IS SERVICEABLE. A NEW AIRCRAFT EMERGENCY BARRIER
IS OBSERVED UNDER CONSTRUCTION APPROXIMATELY 250 FEET OFF THE
NORTHEAST END OF THE RUNWAY. THE BARRIER IS APPROXIMATELY 200
FEET WIDE AND WHEN COMPLETED WILL BE RECTANGULAR IN SHAPE AND
PROBABLY CONSTRUCTED OF WEBBED STEEL CABLE. THERE IS A PROBABLE
MOTOR AT EACH END FOR RAISING AND LOWERING THE BARRIER. IT
APPEARS THE BARRIER WAS INITIALLY CONSTRUCTED APPROXIMATELY 150
FEET FROM THE NORTHEAST END OF THE RUNWAY, BUT WAS LATER MOVED
TO ITS PRESENT LOCATION. THIS EMERGENCY BARRIER IS THE SAME
TYPE OBSERVED AT HANOI/GIA LAM AIRFIELD. NUMEROUS STACKS OF
CONCRETE SLABS ARE OBSERVED IN THE AIRFIELD AREA. UNIDENTIFIED
SCRAPING IS OBSERVED AT THE NORTHEAST END OF THE RUNWAY. THE
ELEMENTS OF A NAVIGATIONAL AND APPROACH AIDS SYSTEM CONSISTING
OF FOUR PROBABLE COMPONENTS ARE OBSERVED. THE FIRST, AT UTM
XJ716050, CONSISTS OF A PROBABLE OUTER MARKER BEACON MADE UP
OF A REVETTED CONTROL BUILDING AND ONE ANTENNA MAST. TWO
PROBABLE STANDARD BEACON APPROACH COMPONENTS, EACH CONSISTING
OF TWO ANTENNA MASTS, A REVETTED CONTROL BUILDING, AND A
SUPPORT BUILDING, ARE AT XJ691026 AND XH662998. A REVETTED
VAN WITH A DISC CONE ANTENNA AND A POSSIBLE WHIP MAST IS AT
XH638975. THIS COMPONENT MAY FURNISH AN ADF CAPABILITY TO
THE SYSTEM. (REF B, ITEM 6)

AOB:3 FRESCO AND 16 FAGOT/FRESCO.

ELC:5 ANTENNA MASTS, 1 DISC CONE ANTENNA, 1 POSSIBLE WHIP
MAST. AND 1 VAN.

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ITM03:HAIPHONG PORT FACILITIES AREA SGM:W58A CTY:VN 205156N1064145E
 RMK:AN SL-2 INFILTRATION VESSEL AT THE FISHING WHARF IS PROBABLY
 LOADING SUPPLIES OBSERVED ON TRUCKS AT THE WHARF. THE ARAGONESE
 MERCHANT SHIP (PROBABLY THE CYPRIOT SHIP MARIANTHI) IS NEAR THE
 NUMBER ONE BUOY IN BALLAST. THIS VESSEL WAS LAST OBSERVED OFF-
 LOADING SUPPLIES AT VINH [REDACTED] SIX SL-1 SMALL LOGISTICS
 VESSELS ARE OBSERVED THROUGHOUT THE PORT. THIS RAISES THE
 COMBINED POSSIBLE TOTAL TO 27 SL-1. (REF C, ITEM 1)
 NVL:1 SL-2. 6 SL-1

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ITM04:HAIPHONG NAVAL BASE SGMW58A CTY VN 205148N1064047E
 RMK:NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. AN ARMED LCM IS IN A
 FLOATING DRYDOCK. THE T-4 LCM HAS TWO CANVAS-COVERED PROBABLE
 12.7 MM MACHINE GUNS WITH AMMUNITION BOXES AND A CANVAS-COVERED
 SEARCHLIGHT. THIS IS THE FIRST CONFIRMATION OF AN ARMED SOVIET-
 TYPE T-4 LCM. PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED LCMS WERE OF THE CHICOM
 TYPE. THE S.O.1 SC APPEARS TO BE IN A WORSE STATE OF DISREPAIR
 THAN PREVIOUSLY NOTED. FOUR BARGES, WHICH APPEAR TO BE HOUSE-
 BOATS WITH CRANES ON THE AFT ENDS, ARE AT UTM XJ750074. THESE
 FOUR BARGES HAVE PREVIOUSLY BEEN OBSERVED ON LAND AND APPEARED
 TO HAVE WHEELS. (REF C, ITEM 7)

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ZZZ05:HON GIA TPP SGM:6B18F CTY:VN 205628N1070650E
 RMK:THE POWER PLANT IS IN OPERATION. SMOKE IS OBSERVED BEING
 EMITTED FROM A STACK AT THE OLD BOILERHOUSE. THE BLAST WALL IS
 COMPLETE AND PROTECTS THE NORTH AND WEST SIDES OF THE TRANS-
 FORMER AND GENERATOR BUILDING. THE NORTH, SOUTH, AND WEST
 SIDES OF THE NEW GENERATOR HALL AND A PORTION OF THE SOUTH SIDE
 OF THE OLD BOILERHOUSE ARE ALSO PROTECTED BY BLAST WALLS.
 REPAIRS HAVE BEEN MADE TO THE WATER INTAKE AND DISCHARGE
 SYSTEMS. ACTIVITY IS NOTED IN THE VICINITY OF THE COAL
 PROCESSING BUILDING.

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ZZZ06:RAIL BRIDGE OVER SONG MIO SGM:NONE CTY:VN 205935N1065342E
 THE WESTERN SECTION OF THE RAIL BRIDGE OVER THE SONG MIO RIVER,
 ON THE KEP-HON GAI RAIL LINE AT UTM XJ970223, HAS BEEN COM-
 PLETED. IT CONSISTS OF A TWO-SPAN METAL DECK RAIL BRIDGE
 CONSTRUCTED BETWEEN EARTHEN CAUSEWAYS EXTENDING FROM THE WEST
 BANK AND A MIDSTREAM ISLAND. THE EASTERN PORTION OF THE
 CROSSING, EXTENDING BETWEEN THE ISLAND AND THE EAST BANK,
 REMAINS UNSERVICEABLE.

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ZZZ07:RAIL SEG (NEW) SGM18E CTY VN 205715N1065915E
 A NEW PROBABLE RAILROAD TURNING WYE AND BY-PASS IS UNDER
 CONSTRUCTION AT UTM YJ066181. THE PROBABLE RAIL BED IS LAID
 FOR THE BY-PASS, WHICH EXTENDS FROM A THREE-TRACK SECTION OF
 THE HON GAI-KEP RAILROAD. (REF A, ITEM 4)

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ZZZ08:TWIN 37MM AAA (NEW) SGMNONE CTYVN 205127N1064027E
 TWO NEWLY IDENTIFIED FOUR-POSITION AAA SITES, OCCUPIED BY A
 TOTAL OF EIGHT TWIN 37 MM SOVIET AAA GUNS, ARE OBSERVED AT
 UTM XJ738071, IN HAIPHONG. THIS IS THE FIRST IDENTIFICATION
 OF TWIN-MOUNTED 37 MM AAA GUNS IN NORTH VIETNAM.
 GFW:EIGHT 37 MM AAA GUNS.

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ZZZ09:14.7MM HMG, 2M-7 SGM 6B5C CTYVN 205144N1064042E

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AN AAA SITE AT UTM XJ746076 CONTAINS TWO NAVAL TWIN-MOUNT 37MM
AAA GUNS AND TWO TWIN-MOUNT UNDER-AND-OVER 14.7MM HEAVY
MACHINEGUNS, DESIGNATED 2M-7. THIS ARMAMENT CORRESPONDS TO
THE KNOWN ARMAMENT OF A SWATOW PGM.
GFW:2 TWIN-MOUNT 37MM AAA GUNS AND 2 TWIN-MOUNT UNDER-AND-OVER
14.7MM HMG.

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PART II. OTHER PHOTO INTERPRETATIONS - NONE
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